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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks are being filed contemporaneously with the Utility Application Transmittal form for a divisional application of prior application Serial No. 09/549,127, filed April 13, 2000. Entry of this Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee and consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

**I. In the Title:**

Please delete the title of this application in its entirety and replace therewith:

-- EMBOSSED BLISTER PACK--

## II. In the Specification:

In the section entitled: Cross-Reference to Related Applications, directly under the title of the invention on page 1, please delete the paragraph in its entirety and replace with the following:

-- This application is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/549,127, filed April 13, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of International Application No. PCT/GB99/02589 (WO 00/09313) FILED 6 August 1999 which is based on and claims the benefit of priority to Great Britain Patent Application GB9817793.4 filed August 14, 1998. --

A replacement page 1 is submitted herewith.

## III. Please cancel claims 1 through 12 and amend claim 13 as follows:

Claim 13 (Amended). A blister pack comprising [a] an embossed blister formed [according to the process of claim 1] from a laminated film comprising forming a blister by advancing a pin having a face with an indicia thereon in transversal direction relative to the film plane towards and into engagement with a platen bearing an indicia forming die thereon and located on the opposite side of said film wherein said advancing movement of the pin controllably stretches the film around the blister in a manner minimizing stretching of the film located at the base of the blister.

Applicant has renumbered claim 13 to be claim 1 on the attached replacement claim page.

### REMARKS

This is a divisional application of Application Serial No. 09/549,127, filed on April 13, 2000, which was filed as a continuation-in-part application of International Application No. PCT/GB99/02589, filed August 6, 1999 and claims priority to GB 9817793.4 filed August 14, 1998. This divisional application includes claim 13, which was withdrawn in the parent application. Applicant has canceled claims 1-12 that were originally filed as claims 1-9 were allowed in the parent application and claims 10-12 were picked up in a divisional application filed February 13, 2002. A complete copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed is also attached.

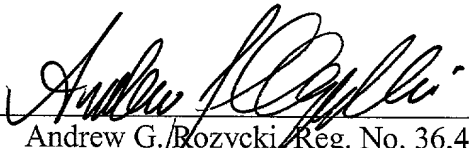
Also enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the prior application. Prior application Serial No. 09/549,127 is assigned of record to R.P. Scherer Corporation. A copy of the Recordation Cover Sheet as well as the Assignment document itself is enclosed herewith. The power of attorney in this divisional application and in the prior application is to Donald O. Nickey, Reg. No. 29,092; Michael D. Steffensmeier, Reg. No. 37,735; and Andrew G. Rozycki, Reg. No. 36,406; Cardinal Health, Inc., 7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, Ohio 43017. Please address all future communications in this application to Andrew G. Rozycki. The Power appears as part of the Declaration in the original papers filed in prior Application Serial No. 09/549,127.

On January 23, 2002, Applicant received a Notice of Allowability in the prior application. The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of the documents that were originally submitted in prior Application Serial No. 09/549,127, filed April 13, 2000.

Applicants respectfully request examination and consideration thereof in light of this Preliminary Amendment and accompanying remarks.

Respectfully submitted,

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